



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:

WEEKS et al.

Serial No.: 09/055,145

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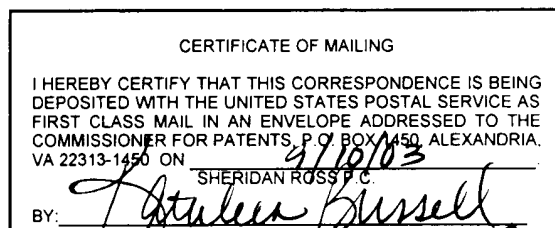
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For: "METHODS AND MATERIALS
FOR MAKING AND USING
TRANSGENIC DICAMBA-
DEGRADING ORGANISMS"

) Group Art Unit: 1638

) Examiner: Kruse, D.

) NOTICE OF APPEAL



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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Examiner mailed March 10, 2003, finally rejecting Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 21, 24, 36, 39, 44, 47, 48, 50-52, 54-56 and 58-68. Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$320 for the Notice of Appeal fee specified in 37 CFR §1.17(e).

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136, with the appropriate fee, is enclosed herewith. The petition for extension extends the time for response from June 10, 2003, to September 10, 2003. Accordingly, the Notice of Appeal is believed to be timely and no additional fee is believed to be required. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account 19-1970.

Respectfully submitted,

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